Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box	OIPE		
Figure type a plus sign (+) inside this box	Please type	a plus sign (+) inside	this box +

ostitute for form 1449A/PTO

Sheet

PTO/SB/08A (08-00) Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ation unless it contains a valid OMB control number Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many she	ets as	necessary)
1	of	1

Complete if Known	₩)			
Complete if Known				
Application Number 09/514,955	Techr			
Filing Date February 28, 2000	old			
First Named Inventor S. P. Bryant	gy			
Group Art Unit 2771	90			
Examiner Name TBA	콾			
Attorney Docket Number GG112US				

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant	
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)	of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	ļ	<del>_</del>				
	<b></b>		_			
		+				
		<u> </u>				
	1					
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
				<del></del>		
<del></del>	<del>                                     </del>					
		<del> </del>				
	<del> </del>					
	<del> </del>	+		<u> </u>		

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	0	Fore	eign Patent Do	cument	Name of Patentee	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Office <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup>	Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	or Applicant of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Т <sub>6</sub>
Chen		WO	95/21269	)	Perlin	08-10-1995		
			-					
				_				
··			<del>                                     </del>					

Examiner Signature	C.M.H.	Date Considered	Otolor 23, 2002

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark hee if English language Translation is attached.